

Art class paints Christmas mural

Students in Art 113D, a Design I class, are preparing a mural for the lighting of the Tyler Christmas tree next Thursday.

The class began drawing the mural Tuesday after Tyler Parks and Recreation Department personnel delivered sheets of white plywood.

The mural is filled with animals, toys and presents depicting Christmas spirits.

Lighting the tree began in the 1930s, but was abandoned during World War II and later replaced with "Santa's House" because all of the retail stores were on the square, Mayor's Committee Member Tom Jordan said.

Mayor Bob Montgomery decided to resume the lighting of the tree to draw people downtown after most retail stores moved elsewhere.

"The tree is grown in Smith County," Jordan said. "A 30-minute presentation will be made at 6 p.m. Thursday followed by the lighting by a young boy that has recently had a brain tumor removed."

"I think (painting the mural) has been exciting," Student Dale Havell said.

The painting is scheduled to be finished Saturday, and will be picked up Monday morning, Art Program Director Charline Wallis said.

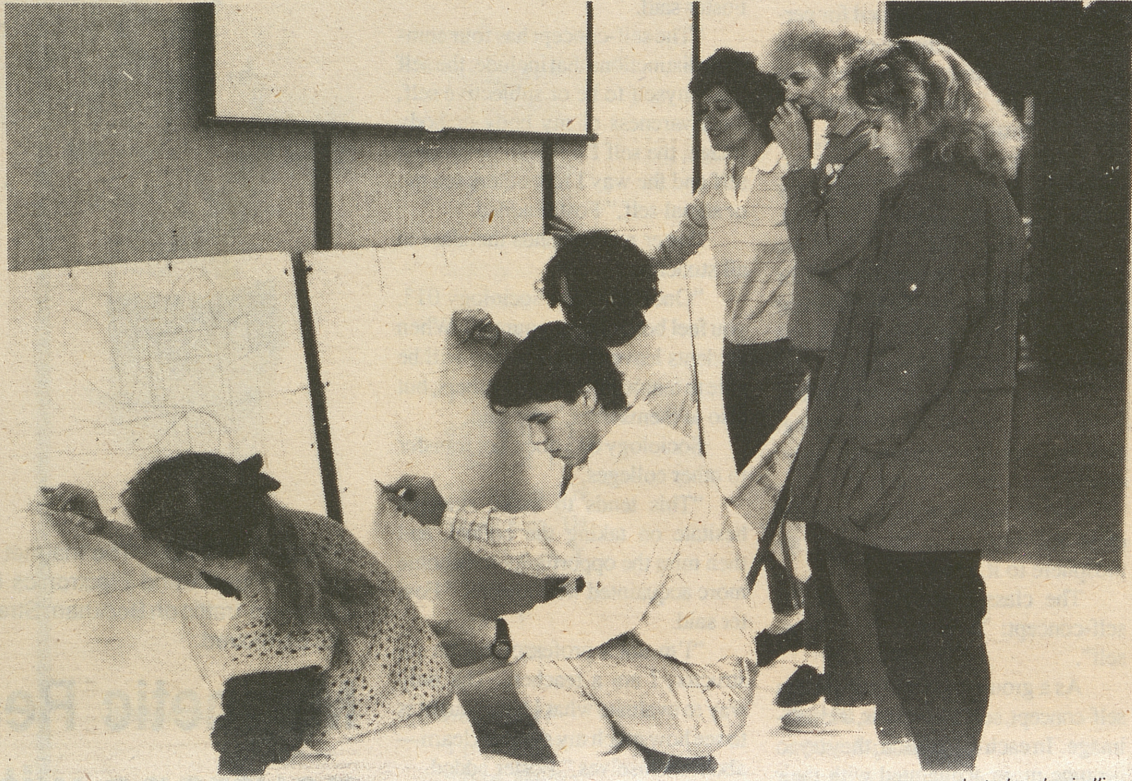


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ART STUDENTS CAPTURE HOLIDAY SPIRIT--Chris Weimer, Lee Lazarine, Pat Jones, Art Program Director Charline Wallis and Rhonda Tarrant paint the Christmas mural for the lighting of the Tyler Christmas tree on Thursday. The mural is filled with animals, toys and presents depicting the Christmas spirit.

'Macbeth' to play to sold-out house

All performances for the theater program's production of "Macbeth" have been sold out since Friday, Director Dr. David Crawford said.

Crawford believes the sellout is due largely to the popularity of the play among high school seniors. Such groups have called and requested large numbers of tickets for students studying the play in school, he said.

There is a waiting list for those still wishing to attend a performance, Crawford said. Those on the list must

show up at 7 p.m. on performance nights, and at 7:15 if reserved tickets are not claimed, they can be sold.

"In the past, the chances of getting tickets has depended on the size of the list and the size of the groups that actually show," Crawford said.

Tickets cost \$4 for adults, \$3 for students, \$1 for children 12 and under and senior citizens.

Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. with Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

Final exams to begin Thursday

Students and instructors face final exams beginning Thursday.

Exams are Dec. 14-20 for evening classes. Weekend college students will take tests at their regular scheduled class times. Day class exams are Dec. 18-21.

"Now is the time to start studying for exams," Support Services Director Vickie Geisel said.

If a student misses an exam or needs to rearrange the exam schedule, it is the student's responsibility to contact the instructor about a make-up time, she said.

During finals, Vaughn Library and Learning Resource Center will expand their business hours. The

Library will be open: Dec. 17 from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., Dec. 18-20 from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., and Dec. 21-22

'It is up to the student to rearrange exam schedules and contact instructors about makeup times.'

from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

To prepare for exams the Counseling Center staff suggests:

--Avoid spending half the night drinking coffee and taking pills to stay awake. Get plenty of rest.

--Arrive early for the test, and bring extra pens and pencils.

--When taking the test, read all directions carefully, answer the easy questions first and answer the more difficult ones later.

--Find out what type of test your exam will be: Is it multiple choice, essay, fill in the blank? This will determine what and how to study.

--When taking the test, don't hesitate to ask questions.

--Study!!! You can't pass on what you do not know.

If you have any questions about final exams, call the Support Services Office at 531-2388, Geisel said.

See exam schedule, page 7.

Touchstone magazine sets Jan. 26 deadline for entries

TJC Touchstone Magazine will accept photography and literature for the Spring 1990 edition until Jan. 26, 1990.

This year's theme is Sunlight and Shadows. All entries must fit the theme. Further guidelines for submissions may be obtained in the Humanities and Social Science Office, Jenkins 104, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

Any person currently enrolled

in a class or any person currently

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"Only about 10 entries have been submitted, but about 95 percent of all entries are received from Jan. 15 until the deadline, so we don't need to panic yet," co-sponsor Gloria Peggram said.

All staff positions have been filled with Debbie Perkins as Editor. You may contact the magazine's sponsors, Judy Turman, Noamie Byrum or Peggram if you have questions, Peggram said.



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MEN AT WORK---Charles Beasley and Tim Beasley help construct the new Baptist Student Union. The new building is scheduled to be completed at the end of February or the beginning of March.

Sociology students improve self-image

Students can improve their self-image by taking a class, Sociology 013.

"The course is designed for personal and social adjustment. You have an opportunity to find out who you really are," Sociology Instructor Rebecca Foster said.

The class began two years ago with only nine students. "Today they have a total of 50 students," she said.

SOS Director Dr. Charles Johnson thought there was a need for certain students to receive personal attention. As a result, Sociology 013 was established, Foster added.

"I volunteered to teach the class. I thought it would be challenging, and give me an opportunity to be extremely creative," she said.

No adequate textbooks, so the class has more of a "hands-on" atmosphere to it, she said.

The class is mainly based on self-concept: "how you view yourself".

As a group, the students discuss self-concept, self-awareness, and self-image. In each discussion, they try to become more acquainted with their inner person.

"I give the students activities to complete about identifying the four selves which are inside each of us," Foster said.

"The self-concept has four common distinctions that include: the self I see myself to be or subjective self, the awareness of my body or body image, the self I'd like to be or ideal self and the way I feel others see me or social self," Foster added.

Foster recommends the class to all students.

"Once you take Sociology 013, you feel better about yourself. When students leave this class they will be able to laugh not only with others, but also at themselves," she said.

Sociology 013 does not transfer to other colleges.

"This tends to make students hesitate on taking the course, and then miss the opportunity to become more acquainted with oneself," Foster said.

"I'm not a professor nor an instructor, I am a teacher. The only way to evaluate what I have taught is to see how much my students learn about themselves," Foster added.

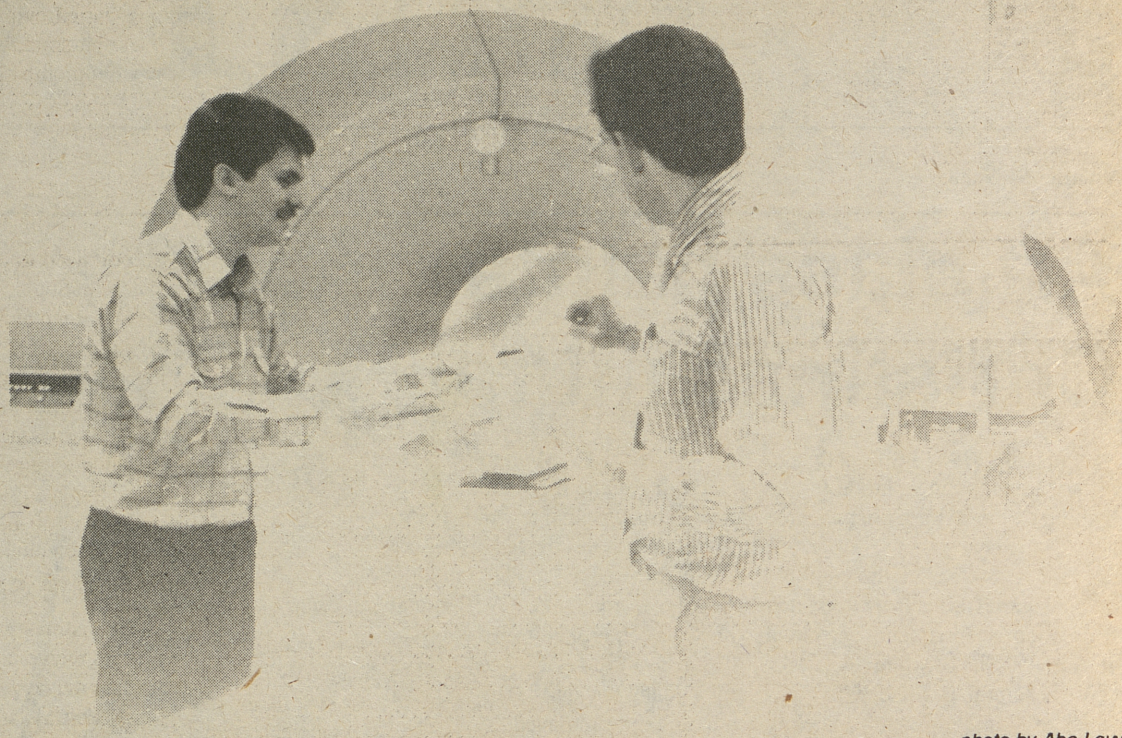


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STUDENTS VIEW--The magnet in the Magnetic Resonance Imager at Medical Center Hospital, shown by Fred Bussell and Electronics Instructor James Gill, is so large that if it were unshielded it could forceably divert traffic on Beckham Street. It is used to detect spinal injuries and others where the patient should not be moved.

Magnetic Resonance Imager excites neutrons without harming patients

By Abe Levy
staff writer

It weighs 41 tons, produces 10,000 watts of power, costs \$2.3 million to purchase and install and it exceeds the earth's magnetic field by 60,000 times. In Tyler, only Medical Center Hospital's Magnetic Resonance Imager fits all these descriptions.

Seventeen students and Electronics Instructor James Gill stood in awe as Fred Bussell, MRI supervisor at Medical Center, explained the MRI to the telecommunications class. It is a "supercooled, superconducting magnet, using liquid nitrogen and liquid helium to keep it at 40 degrees Kelvin," Bussell said.

The MRI uses hydrogen atoms, a plentiful and magnetic element, to non-invasively determine a clear image of any section of the body.

The MRI, installed in summer 1987, uses a complete shield of copper to keep its frequency of 42 megahertz from disturbing radio stations.

A massive shield of 41 tons of pure steel surrounds the magnet, maintaining its magnetic force.

"Unshielded, it could forceably divert traffic on Beckham Street," Gill said.

"Any kind of magnetic data-cassettes, disks, hard drives, watches—anything magnetic within a close range, it would destroy," Gill said.

Sophomore Telecommunications Major Terry Gilbreath said they use the room to blank magnetic disks.

A massive 41 tons of pure steel surrounds the magnet, maintaining its magnetic force. "Unshielded, it could forceably divert traffic on Beckham Street," Gill said.

According to the January, 1987, National Geographic, protons, the nuclei of hydrogen atoms, usually point in any direction, but, under the overbearing magnetic force field, they all coincide towards the magnet's poles. During this time they vibrate to a certain frequency.

When the MRI sends off a radio pulse to protons with the same frequency, the protons react by returning a radio signal of their own which the mini-computer processes to form an image on a cathode ray tube.

The image essentially is a visual ratio of varying amounts of hydrogen in tissue. Since hydrogen reveals the water content and different tissues have different amounts of water, "the clarity is too good to even be compared to an X-ray," Gill said.

Also, unlike X-rays that literally dislodge the neutrons from their atoms, therefore causing potential damage, "the MRI excites the neutron, but it doesn't waiver from the atom's orbit" Telecommunications

Major Carlos Arias said.

No harmful effects have been found in its 10-year history and none are predicted Bussell said.

"The technology was patented over 40 years ago, although the information could not be processed in a manner to be useful," Gill said, "but now through the use of high speed modern computers simultaneously processing information, it produces an image of almost unbelievable clarity".

The computer, a Vax 11/750 mini-computer, controls 34 micro-processors, 5 megabytes of RAM and 496 megabytes of hard drive memory, Bussell said.

"We have a couple of floppies but we don't use them," he added jokingly.

Sophomore Daniel Pyle said the software it takes to run the computer is more complex than any except the Space Shuttle.

Two-year radiology majors from TJC operate the MRI to get hands-on experience.

"We believe in slave labor," Bussell said.

"This is a combination of all the fields of electronics: microprocessors, radio frequencies, circuits, electromagnetics and controls," Electronics Program Director Keith Bridges said.

"Bio-medical electronics is a field that our electronics majors can enter," Bridges said.

The MRI can be used to determine spinal injuries and others when the patient should not be moved.

By 2010, Texans must face trash

Americans lack basic intelligence.

Even with space-age technology, they insist on creating an environment that is less than adequate.

The problem striking everyone today is simply garbage—trash.

The average American family throws out 6.75 bags of trash each week, according to Newsweek magazine. In one month that totals 29 bags; in one year, a family discards 350 bags of trash.

The largenumbers seem irrelevant to most. After all, those bags are not being stacked in our backyards—yet.

Studies show that in the Northeast, some states will run out of land on which to bury garbage in the next five years if something is not done. Texas will run out of space in 10 years. The problem will not go away by itself.

Where do the trashed aluminum, glass, paper and plastic go? Usually to landfills where it is buried. Garbage is covered and forgotten, simply because this process is cheaper than creating recycling plants to reuse the materials.

Recycling is a common term in our vocabulary, but it is not yet part of our lives.

More than half the aluminum cans produced are recycled, but even so, enough aluminum is thrown away every three months "to rebuild the nation's entire airline fleet," according to Newsweek.

Only 10 percent of the glass we produce is recycled. Yet glass recycling is cheaper than making new materials.

Only 30 percent of paper products are ever recycled.

The wastes cannot be hidden forever, though. While everyone is "forgetting" that 160 million tons of garbage is buried beneath the soil, they are also forgetting the toxic elements from that garbage that seep into the ground and contaminate—drinking water.

But that's okay. This system is cheaper. To the moneymakers, that may be true. But all of us will have to pay the subsequent costs later, perhaps 5, 10 or 15 years down the road. Maybe in 2010, as each family becomes accustomed to burying its weekly 6.75 bags of trash beneath the oak tree in the front yard, America will finally decide that a problem does exist.

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS HAS MOVED TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ANNEX (THE OLD STUDENT CENTER)

photo by dene kimbrell

FINANCIAL OFFICAL RELOCATES--Student seeking financial aid may have found that the Financial Aid Office is no longer in Jenkins Hall. The Financial Aid Office, headed by Director Reggie Brazzle, has relocated to the Administration Annex, which is the east side of the old student center. The Financial Aid Office is designed to help students with all financial services that will allow them to continue their education here at TJC.

Payment due for housing

Spring housing and meal plan payments for \$1,000 are due Jan. 1. Payments must be made or postmarked by this date. A payment plan is available to most students which allows for two payments plus an additional service charge, Residential Life Director John Smith said.

New room assignments for college housing will be made this month, based on how much space is available and where it is, Smith said. College offices will close Dec. 22 and not reopen until Jan. 2, he reminded students. Payments should be received or postmarked before Dec. 22.

All payments should be made in the Financial Services Office. Students must return the payment form distributed to residents. The correct payment amount or requested documents must accompany this form when it is returned.

Students who fail to complete payment as required by Jan. 1 may lose their space and deposit, Smith said.

Geologists visit site

The Geological Society saw an area near Waco that had been flooded in 1963 and found fossilized oyster shells and some fool's gold in a creek bed.

"We felt like Indiana Jones treading through the deep underbrush" Geology Instructor Marsha Layton said.

Along with the fossils, the students observed rock layers that were from the Cretaceous Age (which was 100 million years ago).

Attending the recent field trip were Geology Instructor John Burket and students Mary Howard, Jeanie Graham, Jeff Hockin, John Hearn, Carol Ruescher and Steve Yancy.

Program looks for talent

The Young Promotions of Texas Inc. will present a talent and modeling extravaganza at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Holiday Inn in DeSoto.

Men and women of all ages are invited to participate in: modeling, Sunday attire, business attire, after five, casual wear, sports wear and hair styles.

Talent includes singing, solo, group danc-

ing, acting, comedy, instrumentals, twirling, gymnastics and poetry.

"You can express your talent and modeling skills by participating in the first annual Dallas Metroplex Modeling and Talent Extravaganza," State Director Vernell Delly said.

"We would like to have 100 participants in this cultural event," she said. "Our main objective is to give our youth the opportunity to express themselves in the fine arts as well as develop self-confidence, self-awareness, charm and personality."

No entry fee is required. More information and entry forms may be obtained by writing: Youth Promotions of Texas Inc., 2719 N. Whitten, Tyler, 75702, or by calling 597-9512.

Program seeks women

The Miss Coed America Program is searching for the ideal college woman.

The program also provides valuable career experience for college women interested in careers in communications, music, entertainment, dance, modeling, television, and movie production, acting and related fields.

The competition is open to single undergraduate women ages 18-24. Miss Coed America will have the opportunities for travel, contacts and new experiences while continuing her education, a contest spokesman said.

Final judging will be based on beauty, communication skills, poise, talent, personality, charisma, and college spirit.

Winners compete in the national pageant in Los Angeles in February and Miss Coed America will represent the United States in the Miss Coed Competition in spring, 1991.

Women interested in competing should write to Miss Coed Program, 8833 Conventry Court, Jacksonville, Fla. 32257 or call 904-448-6927 for applications and information.

Job offers full, part times

Many full-time and part-time jobs are available for students who need an extra buck in their pockets.

Mother Francis Hospital is looking for a part-time posting clerk. If interested, contact Ellen McClure at 531-4472.

If babysitting is your thing contact Cleon Green at 534-8144.

A babysitter is also needed Tuesday through Saturday from 2:30-11:30p.m.. If interested call Marie Lewis at 581-1266.

A non-smoking babysitter is need to babysit an eight month old. If interested contact Mark at 839-6888.

Food Fast is looking for a cashier clerk if interested contact Janice Clifton at 561-5027, A cashier is needed to clerk, stock, clean and wait on customers.

You need to hop on this job. A car hop is needed at Sonic Drive-in. If interested, contact Ronnie Reed at 593-6892.

Do you good driving record? Global Mailing systems is looking for a person with a good driving record to load mail bags and trays and delivering to the post office. A lot of heavy lifting is required. If interesting, contact Faye Bamed at 592-9959.

If none of these jobs interest you and you need a job contact the job placement office.

Senate sponsors formal

"Christmas in the City" is the Christmas Formal theme. Sponsored by the Student Senate, the dance will be from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Apache rooms of Rogers Center.

"Theme was changed from "A Christmas in the Orient" because the decorations were hard to find," Senate Secretary Kristi Gorham said.

Gorham is decorations committee head. Other members are Shannna Williams, Mark James, Michelle Lynn Mann, Kristen Lundberg, Samantha Tabler. Sheree Crawford, Shawuana Spencer, Margaret Young and Staci Littlefield.

Anyone interested in helping with backdrops and decorations should sign up in Student Activities Director Scott Nalley's office.

"Student representatives and elected officers, we will appreciate your help Thursday between 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. to decorate for the Senate Christmas Formal," Tabler said.

"As Freshman senator, I feel that all members on the TJC Student Senate should get involved," Crawford said.

"If everyone participates, we can make

the 1989 Christmas Formal a real success," Spencer said.

Mail brightens Christmas

Christmas mail call gives our servicemen and women a star-spangled Christmas through cards and letters.

The cards and letters are sent to more than 900 units and activities, making Christmas brighter for more than 125,000 service people in more than 40 states.

"Mail Call" is a national, nonprofit, independent-but-military-related program in its 14th consecutive year.

It is an exciting project for college and university students to brighten the days of many young service people who are away from home for the first time and are generally lonely.

For information about taking part in this unique program, send name and address with first-class postage stamp (no envelope) to "Mail Call," Box 988, St. Robert, Mo. 65583 and mention where you read about Mail Call.

Association offers prizes

The American Poetry Association contest deadline is Dec. 31.

The grand prize is \$1,000 and first prize will be \$500. The Association will give away cash and publication prizes worth \$11,000.

To enter, poets can send up to six poems with each no more than 20 lines to: American Poetry Association, Dept. CT-90, 250-A Potrero St., P.O. Box 1803, Santa Cruz, CA 95061. The poet's name and address must be on each page and mailed by Dec. 31.

No entry fees are required.

"Every student who writes poetry should enter this contest," Association Publisher Robert Nelson said. "Our latest \$1,000 winner is a student. Students also won 24 of the other prizes. December break should give students the chance to enter before the deadline."

Along with cash prizes, each poem is given consideration for publication in the American Poetry Anthology, a collection of today's poems.

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RAPE: 20-25% face assault, half from acquaintance

By Lisa Warren
staff writer

BANG. Your body hits the floor as your hands are pinned above your head. You say "No." Your date says "Yes." You fight. Your date laughs. You are trapped. You used to think you knew the good guys from the bad. Now you are fighting for your life against someone who just bought you roses.

The shocking reality in today's society is that date rape can happen at any time, to anyone, anywhere—and does.

One in five females and one in four males will be raped sometime in their lives, Dawn Franks, executive director for the East Texas Crisis Center, said. The most vulnerable of these are in the 18-24 age bracket, but rape victims range in age from six months to 93 years.

"The problem with this crime is that both the rapist and victim cross all racial, educational and income lines," Franks said.

Evidence suggests that date rape is an epidemic in this nation, with statistics "probably nearly doubling typical rape statistics," Franks said. Approximately one-half of reported rapes are committed by an assailant known to the victim.

Set apart from typical sexual assault, date rape usually occurs when petting goes too far or when the perpetrator does not take "no" for an answer and is too strong to be stopped.

"When one party says stop, the other should have enough respect to stop," Franks said. "No doesn't mean yes or maybe. No means NO."

Unfortunately, date rape is also treated differently in court. In stranger rape, the issue is relatively simple—to identify and find the rapist, without question of a crime having been committed.

In acquaintance rape, the issue becomes: Did both parties agree to have sex? Did she say "no" but mean "yes?"

More sexual connotation is involved. Invariably, date rape puts one person's word against another's, and it is hard to prove, Franks said.

"Date rape is harder for people to deal with," Franks said. "With all the old 'she-could-have-stopped-it' attitudes and callous sexual assault jokes still out there, the victim is being victimized by society."

Only 10 percent of all rapes are reported and only 15-20 percent of those reported actually go to court. An even smaller number of rapists go to prison.

"If the perpetrator is found,

charges will most likely be dropped to simple assault," Franks said. "But victims should always at least report the rape."

The reasons most often given for victims' silence: feelings of guilt and responsibility, shame, fear of reprisal, and lack of faith in the criminal-justice system.

"Rape victims will commonly tell you that they feel dirty," Franks said. "They take a lot of showers and baths to wash away the 'dirt'."

Since male rapes are usually homosexual acts, men who are raped often have fears that they have become homosexual as well, Franks said.

The victim experiences a wide range of symptoms after a rape—insomnia, lack of appetite, depression, crying spells, anxiety and a sense of worthlessness. Collectively, these symptoms are known as rape trauma syndrome.

Most victims feel alone, like what has happened to them could not have happened to anyone else.

"The sad truth is that they are not alone," Franks said.

By allowing sex-related crimes to be portrayed on TV and in movies, society is more likely to see it happening on the streets, she said.

75% of arrested rapists will repeat crime: Franks

Fact: Sexual assault is a crime of violence, not of sexual passion. Fact: Approximately one-half of convicted rapists are married and have normal sex lives. Fact: Almost three-fourths of arrested rapists will repeat the crime.

Dawn Franks, East Texas Crisis Center's executive director, said that rape is about anger, aggression and violence—not about sex. It is about "being in control or getting even, and sex is the weapon."

According to Franks, perpetrators are categorized into three types. Power rapists, the largest group, feel insecure and display a strong need for power over others. They usually plan their attack and are less likely to inflict physical harm. Power rapists can be talked out of the crime.

Anger rapists feel rage because they have been demeaned and want to get even. Their rapes are unplanned and usually involve a weapon or extreme force.

The sadistic rapist is the most dangerous and makes up the smallest group. He usually maims his victims sexually and subjects them to torture.

"If you and I meet him, we probably won't walk away," Franks said.

Ninety percent of the offenders get away and repeat the crime, Franks said.

"We don't understand a whole lot about the perpetrator," she said, "except that most show no feelings of remorse."

When faced with this type of person, it is best to remain calm and use common sense, Franks said. The victim "must look at the situation and make a decision—talk, fight or surrender."

"Your head is your most important weapon," Franks said. "Always be aware of your surroundings."

According to Franks, the thing most victims forget is that they have rights. The rapist is the one to blame. The rapist is at fault. The rapist "had no right in the first place."

"Rape victims need support," Franks said. "Our job here at the Crisis Center is to deal with feelings and emotions."

Franks said victims and their families should seek professional help where they can be provided with counseling and/or court advocacy.

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TASP may replace quantity with quality

By Abe Levy
staff writer

The Texas Academic Skills Program is not just another mandate from the state to patch-up education. It costs \$24 and may take a few hours of free time, but TASP serves students by ensuring that they have the fundamental skills needed for success in college level work.

In 1984 a report from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, "A Generation of Failure: the Case for Testing and Remediation in Texas Higher Education," influenced Congress to require students in teacher education programs to take a basic skills test.

In 1987 with House Bill 2128, Congress enlarged the audience to include all entering college freshmen and mandated remedial courses to those who fail.

The THECB and the Texas Education Agency developed the

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basic skills test, better known as TASP.

So far, of the two times TASP was administered, the results were good but misleading: 81 percent passed in March and 78 percent in June.

"The statistics are deceiving since most of the applicants are second or third year college students trying to get in teacher education. Until large numbers of freshmen take it, we really don't know," Success Oriented Studies Director, Dr. Charles Johnson said.

Forty-six percent of this fall's entering freshmen are estimated to

fail one or more parts of the test.

However shocking this may seem, education as a whole will benefit in the years to follow Dr. Johnson said.

No longer can the non-writer ease by multiple choice placement tests. TASP thrusts in a stiff 300-600 word essay.

No longer can the non-reader merely pick out stated facts for an answer. TASP asks for evaluation, application and identification of implicit ideas and the use of reasoning skills in inductive and deductive conclusions.

TASP challenges the standards of basic skills that junior and senior high schools must meet. "TASP will measure the productivity of schools that will put the focus on basics," said Dr. Johnson.

Through all the rhetoric and predictions, TASP's goal is clear: in cutting quantity, it increases quality.

Couple marries in class

Course brings couple back together--literally

By DENE KIMBRELL
staff writer

Students never know what they may witness while just sitting innocently in class. Students in Sociology Instructor Shirley Bishop's Sociology 213a class witnessed a wedding. Connie Adams and Eldon Tedder were remarried at 10 a.m. last Thursday.

"We decided to get married in class because the class brought us back together," Adams said. "We realized where we were wrong in our relationship and what to do about it. It is better than any marriage counselor."

Students in the Marriage and Family course were required to make a report for a grade. For her report, Radiology Major Adams, wearing an offwhite lace dress, brought her estranged husband, Tedder, a respiratory therapy major, and the judge Mary Gutherie of Troup. Adams and Tedder were married last Jan. 5, but Tedder had filed for divorce in April. Gutherie read the marriage vows and the class served as witnesses.

"Students are graded on the creativity and initiative of their report, Connie did an excellent job," Bishop said.

Taping service helps disabled students

By Altrina Jones
staff writer

Disabled students can get special help to cope.

The reader / taping service is a program to record textbooks onto tape for students whose disabilities limit their reading of print material. Support Services Coordinator Vickie Geisel said.

TJC provides such services for qualified individuals with disabilities.

The service is offered to students with visual impairments, physical handicaps or dyslexic persons with learning disabilities or perceptual deficits, Geisel said.

College instructors should keep in mind that the learning disabled student needs special help with information processing.

Students with learning disabilities have trouble taking information in through the senses and bringing that information accurately to the brain, Geisel said.

Also, the information often gets "scrambled."

Students may have difficulty perceiving differences between two sounds, symbols or objects, Geisel said.

Another problem is that the information does not reach the brain accurately and the brain often does not do a good job of storing the information. This results in poor memory.

Visually impaired students may

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use the visual TEK located in Vaughn Library and Learning Resources Center. This machine magnifies the letters so the user can read and understand better, Geisel said.

Disabled students should be referred to the campus learning center or tutorial center if one is available.

People who are interested in tutoring disabled students must have good communication skills, a 3.0 GPA and must have taken the class before, Geisel said.

The learning disabled student will need assistance and support from instructors in learning a new way to receive and transmit information.

The more sense modalities are used in the teaching and learning process, the better the student learns, Geisel said.

The learning disability is often hidden, but through these new approaches visually impaired students' learning can now be broadened, she said.

Art Museum opens exhibit, Megaliths to show until Jan. 7

By Shirl Gibson
staff writer

The Tyler Museum of Arts has opened a new exhibition which will continue through Jan. 7, 1990.

Organized by the Museum of Fine Arts in Santa Fe, the exhibit is titled "Paul Caponigro: Megaliths."

This exhibition includes 75 photographs of the more than 50 prehistoric monuments including Stonehenge, Devil's Arrow, Cuchulainn's Stone and Glen Druid, among the Celtic Megaliths of England, Scotland, and Ireland. To experience the Megaliths, Caponigro has photographed the standing stones, tumuli, cairns, circles, alignments and dolmens of these prehistoric monuments over 20 years.

"Not wanting to lose the thread of something I could scarcely take hold of, I learned to be at the sites not merely to take pictures, but to give myself over to the total experience as best I knew how," Caponigro said.

Caponigro's work is the subject of "Megaliths" a book that contains 119 photographs from the Megaliths series, an essay by Caponigro and extensive site descriptions and maps.

As a child, Caponigro became interested in pho-

tography during outings to the woods, seashore and lakes of New England.

"These experiences are still fresh in my memory, and because I was then carefree and youthful, they permitted a communion with nature seldom achieved in my adult life of city dwelling," Caponigro said.

Caponigro attended Boston University to study music, but left and was drafted in the U.S. Army. During his travels he met Benjamin Chin who introduced him to the work and techniques of many noted photographers. Later he served as an apprentice to Minor White in San Francisco.

Today, Caponigro is considered one of America's most important landscape photographers. He received two Guggenheim Fellowships and two Artist's Fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts.

"I felt this mysterious earth energy to be greater concentration where the stones were placed. I watched and waited and quietly worked the camera while trying to penetrate the unseen.

The Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Museum office hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Museum is located at 1300 South Mahon on the east side of the Tyler Junior College.

Registrar expects lower spring enrollment

Spring enrollment is expected to decrease from the fall semester record of 8,199. This is typical of most springs in most colleges, Registrar Bob Cullins said. Even so, he expects it to top last spring's total.

TJC will lose an average of 600 students between fall and spring, but about 1,200 of those enrolled for

spring will be new students, Cullins said. Enrollment will total 7,500, compared to 7,455 last spring.

Some students may not enroll for spring simply because they do not understand or are frightened by the TASP test, Cullins said. Students who do not understand the TASP should consult counselors for advice.

Others who do not enroll may do so for financial reasons or because school interferes with work or marriage, Cullins said.

Some might even postpone enrolling until spring because of the fall semester's scheduling conflict with Monday Night Football, Cullins suggested.

177 answer AIDS survey

Psychology students know about AIDS causes, risks

By Sheri Allison
staff writer

TJC students are fairly knowledgeable about AIDS (Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome), according to a survey of 711 students by Applied Psychology Class.

The survey was done as part of an AIDS Awareness Day sponsored by the class on Nov. 9, Instructor Pat Johns said.

Mary Lobaugh, Registered Nurse, AIDS counselor for Tyler-Smith County Public Health District, spoke to the class prior to the survey and confirmed answers to the questions prepared for the survey.

The survey consisted of 12 questions ranging from, "Is AIDS only a homosexual disease?" to "Can you get AIDS from receiving a blood transfusion?"

The danger of spreading the dis-

'We helped a lot of people,' Sophomore Carrie Harris said

ease through blood transfusions is very small, ranging from one in 40,000 to one in 250,000, depending upon the community, Surgeon General C. Everett Koop said.

According to the survey results, the majority of the people surveyed were aware that AIDS is not a homosexual disease.

"The fact is that a person may contract AIDS through any type of sexual relations if a sex partner is infected," Johns said.

"We did the survey because we thought if we could help one person we would have accomplished something," sophomore Carrie Harris

said, "We found out that we helped a lot of people with some of their wrong answers on the survey."

Most surveyed knew that while condoms are not 100 percent effective, they are still the best protection other than abstinence.

Many did not know, however, that once a person tests positive for AIDS there is no turning back. The incubation period for AIDS is still unknown, but it has been found in incubation of up to 15 years.

The average age for victims of AIDS is between 18 and 40. The number of teenagers with the virus has increased by 40 percent in the past two years. As many as 1 percent of teenagers in cities such as New York have been infected, and there are 1,736 American children under the age 13 diagnosed with AIDS.

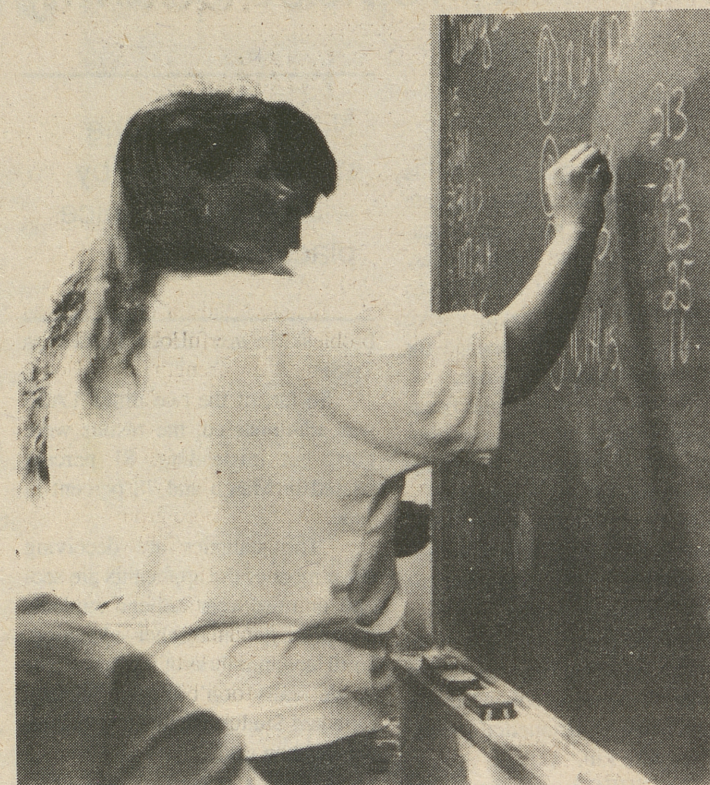


photo by sheri allison

TABULATING THE SCORES- Applied Psychology students Debbie Barnett and Ernest Matthews tabulate the score of their sociology class' survey of what students know about AIDS. The class held an AIDS Awareness day in Rogers Student Center.

Health service center moves to larger quarters

Along with the other "children" of the old student center, Health Services has also found a new home in the recently opened Rogers Student Center.

According to Health Services Coordinator Zelda Anne Boucher, the new Health Service Center not only has several new services available

for students but much more of everything it formerly had in the old student center as well.

"Obviously in a new facility you can offer more things," Boucher said. "We did all right over there, but it is really pleasant here as we have been able to upgrade our services."

The new center features a larger waiting room and five diagnostic and

treatment areas as opposed to two in the old center.

"In the old student center, if there were more than three people in the waiting area, someone had to stand," Boucher said. "If there were very many people, some had to stand in the hall."

Among the new services offered, the center has a vision tester and a

glucometer. There is also a private area in which students may view videos on various health issues. The waiting room offers pamphlets on 75-100 different subjects.

Additionally, the center is starting immunization programs and plans to offer presentations in the new Apache Rooms, according to Boucher.

Students may take advantage of

any number of services offered by the new Health Services Center, all of which are free, according to Boucher.

"Sometimes when students are ill they just don't want to be alone in their apartment or dorm," Boucher said. "In that case they can come here and stay in one of the treatment areas and have someone look after them."

1. AIDS only a homosexual disease? Yes No
2. Can you get AIDS of someone with AIDS coughs, sneezes or spits on you? Yes No
3. Is it possible to get AIDS through public facilities such as toilets, telephones, sinks, swimming pools, hot tubs or showers? Yes No
4. If a pregnant woman has AIDS, will the child be born with AIDS from the mother? Yes No Maybe
5. What two primary body fluids transmit the AIDS virus? saliva blood tears urine perspiration semen
6. Is the AIDS virus more easily passed from: a. Man to woman b. woman to man c. no difference
7. Is using a condom a 100 percent effective way to avoid contracting AIDS? Yes No
8. If a person tests positive for the AIDS virus, is that person always a carrier? Yes No Maybe
9. What behaviors put a person at a high risk for exposure to AIDS? a. sexual relation (Male/female) b. sexual relations (male/male?) c. sexual relations (female/female) d. no difference
10. How long is the incubation period of the virus? a. up to five years b. up to nine years c. more than nine years d. scientists don't know
11. Can you get AIDS from donating blood? Yes No Maybe
12. Can you get AIDS from receiving a transfusion? Yes No Maybe

AIDS epidemic threatens all

By Sonja Rivers
staff writer

Although AIDS is an epidemic that threatens many, young people are not well informed. The information is out there, but people are not taking advantage of it, Health Services Director Zelda Boucher said.

Boucher discussed facts about AIDS that everyone should know.

People can get AIDS through sex or intravenous drugs and it can be passed from mother to child during childbirth, Boucher said.

"The only absolute protection from AIDS is abstinence and not shooting drugs," she said. "If you do choose to be sexually active, use condoms."

It is a mistaken idea that one can get AIDS by giving blood. Contracting AIDS through a blood transfusion is practically obsolete because all blood banks now screen the blood they receive, Boucher said.

One way to cope with the danger of contaminated blood is for those who plan to have surgery to give their own blood ahead of time.

AIDS came from Africa. It is found in the

African green monkey which Africans eat raw.

It is safe to be in the same room with a person who has AIDS, Boucher said. Shaking hands, swimming in the same pool and mosquitoes do not pass the disease. It cannot be passed through sweat.

"If the blood of an AIDS victim touches your skin, you are okay as long as there are no breaks in your skin," Boucher said.

Dishes and clothes of a person with AIDS do not have to be separated from the others. The virus is fragile and cannot live long on a surface without fluid. Bleach will kill the virus.

AIDS cannot be transmitted by air (like a cold) because it is not a respiratory disease, Boucher said.

A person with AIDS who doesn't show any symptoms can still pass it to others.

The most important thing for TJC students to be aware of, Boucher said, is to practice safe sex and life skills that teach you how to have a relationship.

"Know who you are and all the aspects," she said. "No respect means no relationship. Find out all you can on diseases because the information is out there."

Hudson says 3 factors limit state's ability

By Jami Duke
staff writer

Three factors limit our state government's effectiveness, State Representative David Hudson told a TJC government class last week.

Addressing approximately 30 Gov. 223 students, Hudson said that low voter participation, the constitution's structure and Texas lobbyists' strength all put constraints on law-making ability.

This lack of efficiency should not occur in a state such as ours, Hudson said.

"Texas is a large industrialized state and should act accordingly," he said.

Hudson believes a major reason Texans tend not to vote is lack of information.

"I have people that come up to me all the time and ask, 'How have things been going in Washington?'" he said. "Well, hell I don't know how things are in Washington, I work in Austin."

Touching on the second reason that Texas government lacks effectiveness, Hudson said the length and fine detail of the state Constitution causes problems.

"You can't do much because the Constitution is so limiting," Hudson said. "The Texas State Constitution was designed for another time and place. It was appropriate for that other time, but not appropriate for today."

The state constitution defines the length of legislative sessions as well as many other specifics.

Meeting for 140 days every other year in a regular session is just not enough time to deal with everything appropriately, Hudson said. The pres-

sure of the deadline is always present.

"It's like running a marathon and slamming into a brick wall at the end," he said.

Finally, Hudson discussed the problem of powerful lobbies in Texas, crediting their strength to low House and Senate member salaries.

Texas has three categories of legislators, one of which is extremely susceptible to lobby persuasion, Hudson said. These groups include the independently wealthy who have no problem in affording to do their job, those somewhere in the middle who get by and those who depend on outside help. The latter, of course, are easy targets for lobbyists.

It is the lobbies who win in this kind of situation, Hudson said.

Consequently, the strongest lobbies in Texas tend to be those behind big businesses.

Hudson believes that increased salaries for legislators would help weaken the hold lobbies have on legislators, thereby weakening their law-making influence.

"Powerful lobbies are the responsibility of the Constitution (the legislator's salary is written into the Constitution) and the voters," Hudson said. "The people of Texas should not allow it to happen."

Hudson, in his fourth term as a state representative, plans to run for a fifth term. He has come under fire for attending law school while serving as a representative.

"I don't get paid while I'm out of session, so I think that's my time—I should be able to go to school," he said. "I think if I wanted to hold a job out of session I would have that right,

EXAMS BEGIN

CLASS TIME

EXAM TIME

Thursday, Dec. 14

5:35 and 6 p.m. H
7 p.m. H
8:25 p.m. TH

5:35-7:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Dec. 15, 16, 17--All weekend classes will take exams during regular classtimes

Monday, Dec. 18

7 a.m. MWF
8 a.m. MWF
9 a.m. MWF
10 a.m. MWF
11 a.m. MWF
5:35, 6 p.m. M
5:35 p.m. MW
7 p.m. M
7 p.m. MW

7-8:50 a.m.
9-10:50 a.m.
11-12:50 a.m.
1-2:50 p.m.
3-4:50 p.m.
5:35-7:25 p.m.
5:35-7:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 19

7 a.m. TH
8:25 a.m. TH
9:50 a.m. TH
11:15 a.m. TH
12:40 p.m. TH
5:35, 6 p.m. T
5:35 p.m. TH
7 p.m. T
7 p.m. TH

7-8:50 a.m.
9-10:50 a.m.
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3-4:50 p.m.
5:35-7:25 p.m.
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7:35-9:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 20

noon MWF
1 p.m. MWF
2 p.m. MWF
2:05 p.m. TH
5:35, 6 p.m. W
7 p.m. W
8:25 p.m. MW

8-9:50 a.m.
10-11:50 a.m.
1-2:50 p.m.
3-4:50 p.m.
5:35-7:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 21

3 p.m. MWF
3:30 p.m. TH

8-9:50 a.m.
10-11:50 a.m.

Weekend and evening class final grades due in Registrar's Office 4 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 22

Day class final grades due in Registrar's Office 9 a.m.

All Final exams will be held in regularly scheduled classrooms unless other arrangements are made by the instructor

Classes not listed above will take exams as scheduled by the instructor.

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10th Madrigal Dinner to offer festive meal, former students to participate in 'Feast'

The music program will present the 10th annual Madrigal Dinner at 7 p.m. Dec. 14-15.

"Ye Olde Yuletide Feast" includes a four-course dinner and musical entertainment. The Christmas meal will be presented in Rogers Student Center much as it might have been celebrated in 15th Century England, Music Program Director Cheryl Rogers said.

The "Feast" is the Chamber Singers' major fall production. Their concert is structured around the formal meal, with each course announced by brass fanfare. Entertainment includes woodwind, guitar, dance, brass and choral ensembles.

Chamber Singers is an auditioned group of 18 students. They perform

'The meal... will be presented... much as it might have been celebrated in 15th Century England'

renaissance, baroque, classical, romantic and contemporary sacred and secular music.

Guests are announced as they enter the banquet hall. Medieval costumes and decorations create a festive atmosphere representing a manor house.

This year in recognition of the 10th presentation of the Dinner, stu-

dents who participated in each of the previous Madrigals will take part in the program.

They include: Michael Allen, Amy Amerson, Scott Bryant, Kelly Womack Finley, Craig Forence, Roxanne Ford, Linda Holbrook, Donna Cook Kelley, Teresa Kirk and Leigh Ann Lewis.

Others are: David Martin, Debbie Merriman, Julie Morrow, Cheryee Oberg, Brian Parker, Roger Pharr, Dedra Presley, Gina Rocha, Randy Rocha, Traci Gaddis Smith, Misty Taylor, Tim Worley and Maryrose Zeilan.

Feast tickets cost \$10 per person. Reservations can be made by calling the Humanities and Social Sciences Office, 531-2548.

Rock Street Band performs for personal satisfaction

By Noelle Mackey
staff writer

Rock Street Band automatically calls up a "heavy metal" image—men wearing tight leather pants and long hair, singing songs you hesitate to let your parents hear. Such is not the case with the three-year-old "Rock Street Band."

The three-man band includes lead singer Clark Smith, a Nacogdoches resident, Gary Duke and drummer Ricky Ramblin. Only Duke lives in Tyler, so it is difficult for them to practice.

Each member has performed in other bands and says it's no more than a hobby.

"I mainly do it for personal satisfaction," Duke said. "Having a band is definitely not a profitable situation."

"Most of the time, if you break even that means you are doing well," Duke said.

The band has at least \$10,000 invested in equipment, he said. They bought their equipment with earnings from performing, adding more as they went along.

Without a bass player, the Rock

'I do it mainly for personal satisfaction' said Duke

Street Band will have to put everything on hold.

"When we played at Champs, we had Dave Boner on bass," Duke said. "He did a fantastic job!"

"But unfortunately he plays with various bands, so he's not looking for a permanent position," he said.

"It's frustrating keeping a band together today. It's not easy to find four to six people who are dedicated, and have the ambition and willingness to keep a band together," Duke said.

"I can't book anything until they get another bass player, so if you have the talent or know of someone that does, come and see me!" Duke said.

Rock Street Band originated in Nacogdoches playing at the Holiday Inn and Josea's Club. The band also plays at local benefits and outside concerts.

They get opportunities to perform in clubs by bringing a video to the club owner. The video gives the club owner an idea of the kinds of songs they perform and how talented the band actually is. Afterwards, the band gives the owner a song list to show the songs they perform. If the club owner likes what he sees on the video, along with the song list, the band usually gets an opportunity to try out. This has brought the Rock Street Band several successful attempts.

The first time for the band to be in the spotlight here in Tyler was at the club Champs.

"Our performance went real well. There wasn't a big crowd but they still seemed to enjoy us," Duke said.

The band plays 60s and 70s music.

"We've written songs of our own, but haven't used them," Duke said. The band plays a wide variety of music: country/western, the blues, but mainly rock.

A listener might hear a little of B.B. King and Joe Cocker, but Eric Clapton's music usually dominates.

Motorola visits TJC

By Abe Levy
staff writer

Motorola Semiconductor Products, Inc. sent representatives to give a presentation and to recruit electronic majors for its new semiconductor manufacturing facility in Austin.

The presentation last month was an effort by Motorola to secure qualified electronic technicians specialized in wafer fabrication. Electronics Program Director Keith Bridges said.

Motorola's representatives, James Dixon and Richard Darrington have been looking for students with associates in applied science who enjoy the high demands of wafer fabrication. This occupation necessitates a room that exceeds the standards of most hospital surgery rooms.

After the presentation, Dixon and Darrington interviewed 20 prospective students, all of whom are pursuing a degree in electronics.

TJC students impressed Motorola in training and qualifications for the desired position, especially our microprocessing and digital elec-

"We were very impressed with the electronic, computer science and autocad laboratories: the ham radio and the rest of campus" said Motorola representatives.

tronics majors, Bridges said.

Out of the 20 interviewed, 4 have been invited for final employment interviews in Austin. They are: Pat Basing, Rodney Palmer, Paul Holub and Sam Ducksworth.

TJC faculty gave Motorola a tour of the electronic, computer science and autocad laboratories, the ham radio station and the rest of the campus.

"They were very impressed at the quality of our electronic program facilities and equipment," Bridges said.

Motorola has been the fourth company so far to come to the campus this fall, following Texas Instruments, MicroLogic Systems and Kinetic Concepts.

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